



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :INGMAN, Dov et al
Serial No. :09/700,496
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For :MULTI-ACTION PARTICLE FOR STRUCTURING
BIOLOGICAL MEDIA

Group Art Unit: 1642
Examiner:Shengjun Wang
Tel Aviv, Israel
June 17, 2003

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir;

In regard to the above-mentioned CPA Application herewith submitted, kindly amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Kindly add new claims 94-106:

94. (New) An ultra-disperse semi-metal/metal oxide nano-particle having both hyrophilic and hydrophobic properties, in aqueous solution.
95. (New) The ultra-disperse semi-metal/metal oxide nano-particle of claim 94, wherein the hyrophilic properties are attained due to the presence of OH groups, and the hydrophobic properties are attained due to the presence of OR groups, wherein R is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, Si(alkyl)₃ and -alkylene-Si(alkyl)₃.

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